

Portfolio Categorization

Focused: Legacy Portfolios

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Countries and multicountries eligible for Global Fund support are assigned to one of three portfolio categories: High Impact, Core or Focused, based on country allocations and disease burden. Policy requirements and procedures across the grant life cycle are differentiated based on these categories. For more information on portfolio categorization, see pages 4-6 of the Operational Policy Manual. Countries within the Focused category. while having a lower burden, are very diverse and have a wide range of epidemiological contexts. Therefore, the support from the Global Fund to Focused portfolios is targeted and oversight of grants may vary significantly from one country to another.

In order to further tailor the management process and level of oversight for Focused portfolios, the Global Fund has developed the Focused Portfolio Management Models. These new models, applicable for grants in Grant Cycle 7 and beyond, enable implementers and the Global Fund to better adapt to the needs and context of each country by adapting processes and requirements to provide increased flexibility, placing emphasis on the most value-adding activities.

Graph 1: Focused Portfolio Management models



- Does not verify activities or inputs
 Leaves accountability to countries to use funds flexibly, to ensure delivery per agreement
- · Confirms activities & inputs upfront with
- Disburses against budget, and implementation
- Validates proposed implementation changes

Main features of the Legacy Model

Portfolios under the Legacy management model continue to benefit from strong support and oversight from the Global Fund. For these portfolios, the Global Fund focuses its strong engagement with applicants and implementers to support countries in strengthening the grant design and operations, while identifying efficiencies to increase investment impact. For Legacy portfolios, the approach is input-based; interventions with activity-level details and cost assumptions are required. Disbursements are made against the agreed budget and implementation progress, and programmatic changes and adjustments to the budget and workplan beyond the pre-defined levels are validated by the Global Fund,. Reporting and assurance are based on the same level of granularity and use Global Fund dedicated mechanisms.